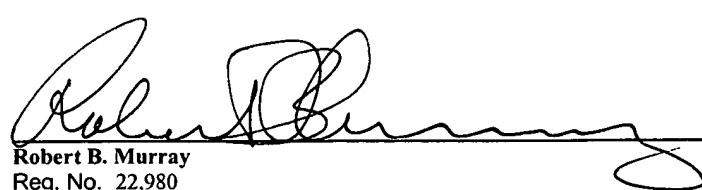


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| FORM PTO-1390 (REV 5-93) | | U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE | ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 100564-00106 |
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | DATE: March 11, 2002 | |
| | | U.S. APPLN. NO. (IF KNOWN SEE 37 C.F.R. 1.5) New 10069974 | |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP00/08807 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE September 8, 2000 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED September 10, 1999 | |
| TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR BINDING NUCLEIC ACIDS TO A SOLID PHASE | | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Holger RAUTH and Richard REINHARDT and Eckard NORDHOFF | | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. (THE BASIC FILING FEE IS ATTACHED) <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371(f)] at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). <input type="checkbox"/> A proper demand for International Preliminary Amendment was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)]. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)]. | | | |
| Items 11 - 16 below concern other document(s) or information included: | | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PCT/IPEA/416, PCT/IPEA/409 Drawings (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FIGS. 1-3 3 sheets) | | | |

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| U.S. APPN NO (IF KNOWN) SEE 37 C.F.R. 1.50) 10/069974 | | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP00/08807 | | ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 100564-00106 | |
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| 17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: Basic National Fe [37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5)]: Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO.....\$890.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482).....\$710.00 No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)].....\$740.00 Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) or international search fee [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)] paid to USPTO.....\$1,040.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4).....\$ 100.00 | | | | CALCULATIONS | PTO USE ONLY |
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| ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = | | | | \$ 890.00 | |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)]. Claims Number Filed Number Extra Rate | | | | \$ | |
| Total Claims | - 20 = | | X \$ 18.00 | \$ | |
| Independent Claims | - 3 = | | X \$ 84.00 | \$ | |
| Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable) | | | + \$280.00 | \$ | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ 890.00 | |
| Reduction by one-half for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity statement must also be filed. (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). | | | | \$ 445.00 | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ 445.00 | |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later the <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 C.F.R. 1.492(f)]. + | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ 445.00 | |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment [37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)]. The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property + | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$ 445.00 | |
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| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$445.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 01-2300 in the amount of \$ to cover the above fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300. | | | | | |
| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive [37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b)] must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status. | | | | | |
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